

Wm. Buys, editor of the Wasatch Wave, is the youngest son of Hyrum D. and Elizabeth Huntington Buys. He was born at Bountiful, Davis county, Utah, December 22, 1852. He never knew a father's parental care,

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their little boy died on the river soon after leaving the vessel and the girl contracted an illness from which she never recovered. She died at St. Louis April 24, 1852.

They were seventeen weeks on the plains and arrived in Salt Lake city September 3d. We desire to mention two instances of the trip;

One is the birth of their daughter Mary, who was born at what is now Kansas City, that being the outfitting point for that season. The other was when he was sent back one day's travel to bring on a cow that had broken away from the train and went back to where her calf had died. He found the animal and started on but lost the trail and that night he camped with some Indians, securing the cow in a good corral. In the morning while a short distance away saddling his mule, the cow disappeared and he could find no trace of her. The Indians gave him a biscuit and a cup of coffee and this is all he had to eat during the three days he was away from the train. Luck-